



I hereby certify that this paper (along with any paper referred to as being attached or enclosed) is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service on the date shown below with sufficient postage as First Class Mail in an envelope addressed to:
MS AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Dated: February 6, 2006

Signature:

(Lawrence E. Russ)

EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

Group Art Unit: 3621

Docket No.: SONY 3.0-020

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of: :
Ludtke et al. :
Application No.: 10/014,112 : Group Art Unit: 3621
: :
: :
Filed: December 11, 2001 : Examiner: S. A.
: Cangialosi
: :
: :
For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR CONDUCTING :
SECURE TRANSACTION OVER A :
NETWORK :
: :

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116

MS AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 4, 2005, finally rejecting claims 1, 2, 5-10, 12, 14, and 109-123, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows: